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October 27, 1999

David Ryzak
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Re: Acceptance of Amended Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, American Stone, Inc., Santa Barbara Quarry S/013/006, Duchesne County, Utah

Dear Mr. Ryzak:

Thank you for your deficiency response submitted on behalf of American Stone, Inc., received by facsimile at the Division on October 27, 1999. The Division considers this information as an amendment to the original Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations. **With this new information the application for the proposed Santa Barbara Quarry project, located in Section 36, T3S, R6W, UBM, is now complete and no additional information is required by the Division at this time.**

For your reference, please find enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices," and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (SMO-1 and SMO-2). Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices" (SMO-1). Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

If you wish to expand your operation beyond the five (5) acre limitation, please notify this office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements. Approval of a large mining notice could take from six to twelve months or longer.

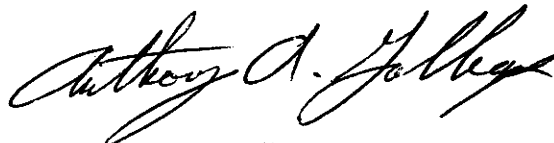
Approval of mineral exploration or mining operations by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining does not constitute approval to commence operations upon lands under state mineral leases/school sections administered by the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration, or federal lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) or United States Forest Service (USFS). Before conducting mining operations on these lands, the operator must provide written notification, meet bonding requirements, and obtain written approval from the appropriate agency. The School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration can be reached at: 675 East 500 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84102; phone number (801)

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538-5100. You will need to contact the appropriate BLM Resource Area or USFS Ranger District for their requirements, if applicable.

Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anthony A. Gallegos". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Anthony" being more prominent and the last name "Gallegos" written in a similar style.

Anthony A. Gallegos
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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Enclosure: summary of operation & reclamation practices
cc: Tracking File
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